

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2008-151-T - ORDER NO. 2008-527

JULY 24, 2008

IN RE: Application of Dowdy Five Star Moving and Storage, Incorporated to Amend Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 9714-A Along with Tariff Revisions)	ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW AND RATE INCREASE
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the request of Dowdy Five Star Moving and Storage, Incorporated (“Dowdy” or “the Company”) for expedited review of its proposed rate increase. The Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) has no objection, and there are no Intervenor. Accordingly, we will proceed with an expedited review of this matter.

The Company has filed a request to amend its current tariff on file with the Commission as follows:

<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
2 Men and a Truck - \$76.00 per hour	2 Men and a Truck - \$84.00 per hour
3 Men and a Truck - \$102.00 per hour	3 Men and a Truck - \$110.00 per hour
4 Men and a Truck - \$128.00 per hour	4 Men and a Truck - \$136.00 per hour

The proposed hourly rates listed above would increase by \$26.00 for each additional man used. The proposed tariff also includes a minimum travel time charge of one hour, and the following labor/packing and materials charges per supplied packing item:

Dishpack	\$ 39.00
1.5 carton	\$ 9.00
3.1 carton	\$ 14.00
4.5 carton	\$ 16.00
6.1 carton	\$ 19.00
Large Crate/Mirror	\$ 28.00
Wardrobe	\$ 20.00
Jiffy Pad (Brown Paper)	\$ 35.00
Tissue (Bundle)	\$ 36.00

ORS has completed an audit and impact study of the proposed rate increase. Based on the current tariff and the actual financial results provided by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2007, ORS calculated a coverage ratio of 106.80 percent after staff adjustments on regulated revenue. Based on the data examined for twelve months, a tariff increase would result in a coverage ratio of 95.85 percent and additional revenue of \$4,296.14 for the twelve months studied.

We think that the proposed rate increase is just and reasonable, in view of the results of the ORS impact study. Accordingly, the rate increase is approved as filed.

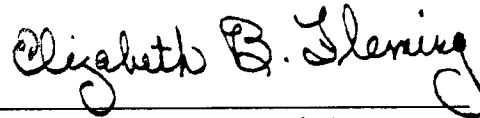
At this time, we defer a ruling on Dowdy's additional request to enlarge its service territory until after the hearing scheduled for August 14, 2008.

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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:



John E. Howard, Vice Chairman

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